

## REP. JIM BRIDENSTINE

# CRUZ/BRIDENSTINE AMERICAN ENERGY RENAISSANCE ACT

#### I. STOP FEDERAL HINDRANCE OF AMERICAN ENERGY RENAISSANCE AND RELATED JOBS.

### Prevent Federal Regulation of Hydraulic Fracturing.

• Leave regulation of hydraulic fracturing in state hands

## **Improve Domestic Refining Capacity.**

- Streamline the permitting process for upgrading existing and building new refineries
- Repeal (with phase out) the Renewable Fuel Standard

#### Improve Process to Develop Energy Infrastructure.

- Approve and allow private sector to build the Keystone pipeline
- Remove barriers to developing and approving additional national pipelines and cross-border energy infrastructure

## Stop EPA Overreach and the War on Coal.

- Exclude greenhouse gases from regulation by EPA and other federal agencies
- Stop certain EPA regulations that will adversely impact coal and electric power plants

#### Force Congress and the President to Vote on EPA Regulations that Kill Jobs.

- Require Congress and the President to approve EPA regulations with negative job impacts
- Support passage of the REINS Act (not included in this bill) to require congressional approval of all major rules and regulations

#### II. EXPAND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW FOR MORE PRIVATE SECTOR JOBS.

#### Broaden Energy Development on Federal Land.

- Expand energy development on federal lands by providing states the option of leasing, permitting and regulating energy resources on federal lands within their borders
- If states decline, reform federal leasing, permitting and regulating by:
  - o Streamlining permitting and expanding development on federal lands
  - o Improving certainty in the leasing and development process
- In addition, expand energy development in National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska and on Indian Lands and open up the Coastal Plain of Alaska (ANWR) for development

#### **Open Offshore Exploration.**

- Expand the offshore areas of the Outer Continental Shelf available for development
- Streamline the permitting process for additional offshore exploration

#### **Expand U.S. Energy Exports.**

- Expand LNG exports by facilitating permits
- End the crude oil export ban
- Prevent excessively broad environmental review of coal export terminals

#### **Dedicate Additional Revenues to Debt Reduction.**

• Direct all additional revenues generated by exploration and drilling on federal lands (excluding the share allocated to the states) exclusively to national debt reduction trust fund—"Debt Freedom Fund"